

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office box and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name listed) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**An Electronic Ballast System Having Emergency Lighting Provisions**

the Specification of which (check one):

  x   is attached hereto

       was filed on        as application serial no.        and was amended on        if applicable.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

**Prior Foreign Application(s)**

**Priority Claimed**

<u>      </u> (Appln. No.)	<u>      </u> (Country)	<u>      </u> (Day/Month/Year)	<u>      </u> Yes	<u>      </u> No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35 United States Code Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35 United States Code Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37 Code of

Federal Regulations Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby appoint James W. Badie, Registration No. 20,968, as my attorney with full power of substitution and appointment of associate attorneys, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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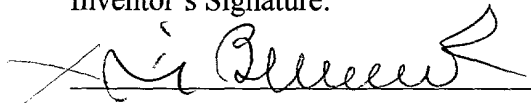
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Full name of sole or second inventor:

Inventor's Signature:



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